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TO AMEMBASSY ROME

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AMEMBASSY LONDON

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E. O. 11652: N/ A

TAGS: GH, PFOR, EAID, EFIN, IBRD

SUBJECT: GHANA DEBT

REF: STATE 067949

1. ITALIAN EMBASSY OFFICER CALLED AT DEPARTMENT APRIL 13  
TO REQUEST USG REACTION TO GHANAIAAN RESPONSE TO CREDITORS'  
OFFER. AS HE WAS UNAWARE OF RESULTS CHAUFOURNIER  
MISSION REPORTED REFTEL, MEETING CONSISTED LARGELY IN IN-  
FORMAL BRIEFING ON CLARIFICATIONS OBTAINED BY CHAUFOURNIER.

2. DEPTOFF TOLD EMBASSY OFFICER NO USG POSITION FORMALIZED  
BUT CONSENSUS IS THAT GHANAIAAN RESPONSE WAS ENCOURAGING,  
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ALTHOUGH DISAPPOINTINGLY VAGUE IN SOME KEY DETAILS. CLARIFICATIONS OBTAINED BY CHAUFURNIER HAVE BEEN VERY HELPFUL, ESPECIALLY INDICATION GHANAIS WANT EARLY SETTLEMENT AND ASSURANCES THAT GHANAIS WILL NOT LET PERIPHERAL ISSUES BLOCK PROGRESS TOWARD RESCHEDULING. USG HAS TAKEN NO POSITION ON ADVISABILITY EXTENDING GRACE AND REPAYMENT PERIODS, AND EXPECTS BE CONSULTING WITH OTHER CREDITORS ON THIS ISSUE.

3. EMBASSY OFFICER SAID HIS INSTRUCTIONS CONTAINED NO STATEMENT OF ITALIAN GOVERNMENT ATTITUDE BUT NOTED NEGATIVE INITIAL REACTION OF BRITISH GOVERNMENT TO GHANAIAN RESPONSE. EMBASSY OFFICER EXPRESSED OPINION BRITISH ATTITUDE LIKELY BE CRITICAL IN FORMULATION CREDITOR'S POSITION. HE EXPRESSED INTEREST, AS DID DEPTOFF, IN LEARNING BRITISH REACTION TO CLARIFICATIONS OBTAINED BY CHAUFURNIER.  
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